

## EXHIBIT A

| Claims 1, 3, and Claim 4 (before November 1994 Office Action)  | Claims 1, 3, and Claim 4 (after November 1994 Office Action)   |
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| <p>1. A computer system, comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a source subsystem;</li> <li>a target subsystem, wherein the source node and the target node are communicatively coupled; and</li> <li>a repository subsystem, wherein the repository subsystem is external to each of the source subsystem and the target subsystem and wherein the repository subsystem is communicatively coupled to each of the source subsystem and the target subsystem to facilitate the communication of data between the repository subsystem and the target subsystem and between the repository subsystem and the source subsystem.</li> </ul> <p>3. The computer system of claim 2, further comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a server cluster, wherein the server cluster is comprised of the source subsystem and the target subsystem;</li> <li>wherein the source subsystem is operable to issue a write statement; and</li> <li>wherein the write statement issued by the source subsystem is replicated in the target subsystem according to a data transfer mode.</li> </ul> <p>4. The computer system of claim 3, wherein the repository subsystem is operable to queue the write statement issued by the source subsystem and deliver the write statement to the target subsystem.</p> | <p>1. (Currently Amended) A computer system, comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a source subsystem, wherein the source subsystem is operable to issue a write statement;</li> <li>a target subsystem, wherein the source node and the target node are communicatively coupled; and</li> <li>a repository subsystem,               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>wherein the repository subsystem is external to each of the source subsystem and the target subsystem; and</li> <li>wherein the repository subsystem is communicatively coupled to each of the source subsystem and the target subsystem to facilitate the communication of data between the repository subsystem and the target subsystem and between the repository subsystem and the source subsystem; and</li> </ul> </li> <li>wherein the repository subsystem is operable to queue the write statement issued by the source subsystem and deliver the write statement to the target subsystem.</li> </ul> <p>3. (Cancelled).</p> <p>4. (Cancelled).</p> |

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| Claims 23, 24, and 25 (before November 1994 Office Action)   | Claims 23, 24, and 25 (after November 1994 Office Action)   |
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| <p>23. A method of data replication in a computer system, comprising a source subsystem, a target subsystem, wherein the repository subsystem is external to and communicatively coupled to each of the source subsystem and the target subsystem, comprising:</p> <p>issuing a write subsystem at the source subsystem; and</p> <p>delivering the write statement to the repository subsystem for storage at the repository subsystem for later transmission to the target subsystem.</p> | <p>23. (Currently Amended) A method of data replication in a computer system, comprising a source subsystem, a target subsystem, and a repository subsystem, wherein the repository subsystem is external to and communicatively coupled to each of the source subsystem and the target subsystem, comprising:</p> <p>issuing a write subsystem at the source subsystem; and</p> <p>delivering the write statement to the repository subsystem for storage at the repository subsystem for later transmission to the target subsystem, <u>wherein the repository subsystem queues the write statement for later transmission to the target subsystem.</u></p> |
| <p>24. The method of claim 23, wherein the repository subsystem comprises:</p> <p>a repository node operable to receive a write statement; and</p> <p>a repository queue operable to queue the write statement.</p>  | <p>24. (Cancelled).</p> <p>25. (Cancelled).</p>   |
| <p>25. The method of claim 24, wherein the step of delivering the write statement to the repository subsystem comprises:</p> <p>delivering the write statement to the repository node; and</p> <p><i>queuing the write statement in the repository queue.</i></p>  |   |

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